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1. WE DISCUSSED REF A, B TRAINING WITH CHIEF OF STAFF, KUWAIT ARMED FORCES YESTERDAY. HE WAS VISIBLY DISAPPOINTED THAT USG WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT CADETS BEFORE 1 MAY 74. REF A AND C TRAINING COSTS WERE DISCUSSED BRIEFLY. HE STATED IT WAS IMMATERIAL TO HIM WHETHER TRAINING WAS CONDUCTED BY AF OR NAVY; HE CONVINCED BOTH WERE BEST IN THE WORLD. HE EMPHATICALLY INTERESTED GETTING CADETS INTO US TRAINING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BY WHATEVER MEANS USG DETERMINES TO BE MOST EXPEDITIOUS.

2. GEN MUBAREK FURTHER STATED THAT THE KUWAIT ARMED
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FORCES HAD MDE THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO MOD ON AIRCRAFT

SELECTION, BUT A DECISION HAD NOT YET BEEN REACHED BY GOK. HE REASSURED US THAT GOK WAS VERY INTERESTED IN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT. (WE HAVE NO INFO AIRCRAFT IDENTITY.)

3. WE CANNOT OVEREMPHASIZE HOW IMPORTANT IT IS AT THIS SENSITIVE TIME THAT WE DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ACCOMODATE GOK REQUEST. ACCORDINGLY, REQUEST L/O FOR SURVEY/SCREENING TEAM THAT WILL ASSURE MOST EXPEDITIOUS ENTRY LOCAL CADETS INTO US TRAINING. IT WOULD APPEAR DECISION COULD BE MADE LATER (WHEN AIRCRAFT SELECTED) WHETHER STUDENTS GO NAVY OR AF TRAINING AS CADETS WOULD BE DEFENSE LANGUAGE INSTITUTE INITIALLY IN EITHER CASE. L/O FOR ENG LANG TRNG ONLY MIGHT BE THE SOLUTION. BE ADVISED EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND CADETS HIGH SCHOOL GRAD; ASSUME ENLISTED GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRAD.

DIFFERENT SUBJECT-

4. IN PAST, KUWAITIS HAVE DEMONSTRATED PROPENSITY FOR MAKING DECISIONS THEN CHANGING THEIR MINDS WHEN SOMEONE COMPLAINS. FEEL WOULD THEREFORE BE PRUDENT HAVE ON HAND F5E AND A7 L/O'S FOR IMMEDIATE USE WHEN/IF OCCASION ARISES. SHOULD ALSO PROVIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT PACKAGE FOR INTRODUCING SYSTEM KAF IF NOT ALREADY PART OF L/O.
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